



Assessment and Resubmission Policy

Purpose of this policy:

- (1) to outline protocol and guidelines for resubmission.
- (2) to address the assessment flexibility of each subject area.

Assessment:

Students will not be assessed for a standard until the teacher is confident that achievement of the standard is within their reach, or until the final deadline for assessment. The need for further assessment can be minimized when teachers:

- give students adequate practice opportunities.
- ensure students understand performance criteria.
- discuss exemplars of successful work with students.
- receive student feedback.

Resubmission:

ASCEND Online can offer resubmission when a student is not able to achieve a grade, only if a student corrects errors or omissions in their work within a short period of time. Resubmission will take place before the teacher gives any feedback on the work done. If further teaching and/or instruction have occurred after the first assessment opportunity, resubmission is not possible. Resubmission will be closely supervised and evaluated to manage authenticity, and will be offered only when a teacher judges that a student is capable of correcting him or herself. Details regarding application and utility are subject-specific; thus, it is the responsibility of each subject's teacher to particular criteria laid out in course outlines. If a student desires to re-take a final examination, ASCEND will levy a \$75 fee to initiate this process. Teachers will then be required to produce a secondary exam for a student, which will feature new questions for the same topics.

Frequency of resubmission:

For the purpose of ensuring student proficiency and understanding in each subject, ASCEND Online will offer a maximum of one further opportunity for assessment of a standard within an academic year. A further assessment opportunity occurs when a

new, quality-assured assessment is provided for students after their first opportunity and after further learning has taken place. While a maximum of one further opportunity for assessment is available, it does not mean one must be offered. It is up to the teacher's discretion as to whether or not a further opportunity will be offered for any standard. If the teacher deems it appropriate, students should be advised from the outset that there is a single opportunity to be assessed against that standard.

Results resubmission or re-examination:

Upon completion of a resubmission or re-examination, a student will be awarded the highest grade he or she has achieved over both opportunities. If a student achieves a lower grade on a resubmission, ASCEND Online will use the higher grade achieved on a student's first attempt.